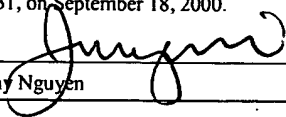


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

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Serial No.: 09/069,703

Filing Date: April 29, 1998

For: PHARMACEUTICAL CARRIER
DEVICE SUITABLE FOR DELIVERY
OF PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOUNDS TO MUCOSAL
SURFACES

Examiner: E. Webman

Group Art Unit: 1617

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office action dated May 2, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from August 2, 2000 to October 2, 2000.

- ☒ A two month(s) extension is requested; the extension fee is \$190.00.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$190.00 is attached.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 359872000821.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 18, 2000

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